

Department of Energy

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(1) The exact legal name of the requester; its principal place of business; whether the requester is an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity; the State laws under which the requester is organized or authorized; and the name, title, and mailing address of the person or persons to whom communications concerning the request for coordination are to be addressed;

(2) A concise general description of the proposed transmission facility sufficient to explain its scope and purpose, including:

(i) The voltage and type of current (alternating or direct);

(ii) The length of the transmission line;

(iii) The design and height of the support structures;

(iv) The proposed route (including the beginning and ending nodes of the transmission project, and a brief geographical description of the proposed route);

(v) A map of the proposed route (if available);

(vi) Any ancillary facilities associated with the proposed route;

(vii) The proposed dates for the beginning and completion of construction and the commencement of service;

(viii) Whether the applicant for a Federal authorization of the proposed transmission facility has submitted an interconnection request with a transmission organization or electric reliability organization approved by FERC; and

(ix) The anticipated length of time the proposed transmission facility will be in service;

(3) A list of all permitting entities from which Federal authorizations pertaining to the proposed transmission facility are needed, including the docket numbers of pending applications with permitting entities;

(4) A list of non-Federal entities that have their own separate non-Federal permitting and environmental reviews pertaining to the proposed transmission facility, including the docket numbers of relevant applications;

(5) A signed statement to the Director that the requester has served a copy of the request for coordination to all permitting entities, and all non-Federal entities that have their own

separate non-Federal permitting and environmental reviews; and

(6) A statement by the requester certifying that it has informed the non-Federal entities that have their own separate non-Federal permitting and environmental reviews pertaining to the proposed transmission facility that they may coordinate their permitting and environmental reviews with DOE and the permitting entities pursuant to section 16 U.S.C. 824p(h)(4)(A). The statement should list the specific persons served and other pertinent contact information at all permitting entities and all non-Federal entities.

(c) The written request for coordination may be filed by mail or hand delivery with the Director at 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, or electronically in MS Word or PDF formats at *SEC216h@hq.doe.gov*. Electronic filing is DOE's preferred method. If filing by hand or mail, DOE requests that an electronic copy be filed as well.

(d) Upon receipt, DOE will post and make publicly available at *http://www.oe.energy.gov/fed_transmission.htm* each request for coordination and any subsequent correspondence and material filed with DOE in connection with the request, except for information exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act.

§ 900.6 Coordination of permitting and related environmental reviews.

(a)(1) Upon receipt of a request for coordination, DOE, as the coordinator of all applicable Federal authorizations and related environmental reviews, and the permitting entities shall jointly determine the appropriate level of coordination required, and, where applicable, the appropriate permitting entity to be the lead agency for preparing NEPA compliance documents, including all documents required to support a final agency decision, and all other analyses used as the basis for all decisions on a proposed transmission facility under Federal law. Designation of the lead agency for preparing NEPA documents shall be in compliance with regulations issued by the Council on Environmental Quality at 40 CFR 1500 *et seq.*

(2) Non-Federal entities that have their own separate non-Federal permitting and environmental reviews may elect to participate in the coordination process under paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(b)(1) DOE as the agency coordinating federal authorizations shall establish, maintain, and utilize, to the extent practicable and in compliance with Federal law, a single location to store and display (electronically if practicable) all of the information assembled in order to fulfill Federal obligations for preparing NEPA compliance documents and all other analyses required to comply with all environmental and cultural statutes and regulations under Federal law. This information shall be available to the applicant, all permitting entities, DOE, and all Indian tribes, multistate entities, and State agencies that have their own separate non-Federal permitting and environmental reviews.

(2) DOE shall establish and maintain, to the extent practicable and in compliance with Federal law, a single location to store and display the information utilized by the permitting entities as the basis for their decisions on the proposed project under Federal law, including all environmental, cultural protection and natural resource protection statutes and regulations.

(3) In coordinating the preparation of a single environmental review document, DOE will rely upon the permitting entities, as appropriate, to ensure compliance with all applicable requirements of Federal law.

(4) The single environmental review document shall be made available to all permitting entities for making their agency decisions in order to ensure that each permitting entity's environmental review is in compliance with the statutory mandates and regulatory requirements applicable to action by that permitting entity.

PART 903—POWER AND TRANSMISSION RATES

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AUTHORITY: Secs. 301(b), 302(a), and 644 of Department of Energy Organization Act, Pub. L. 95–91 (42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*); sec. 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 825s); the Reclamation Act of 1902 (43 U.S.C. 372 *et seq.*), as amended and supplemented by subsequent enactments, particularly sec. 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485h(c)); and the Acts specifically applicable to individual projects or power systems.

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Subpart A—Procedures for Public Participation in Power and Transmission Rate Adjustments and Extensions for the Alaska, Southeastern, Southwestern, and Western Area Power Administrations

§ 903.1 Purpose and scope; application.

(a) Except as otherwise provided herein, these regulations establish procedures for the development of power and transmission rates by the Administrators of the Alaska, Southeastern, Southwestern, and Western Area Power Administrations; for the providing of opportunities for interested members of the public to participate in the development of such rates; for the confirmation, approval, and placement in